



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Newman, et al. **Examiner:** Strange, Aaron
Application No.: 09/839,847 **Group Art Unit:** 2153
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Docket No. 10758-13 **Confirmation No.** 2057
Title: VIRTUAL ROOM
VIDEOCONFERENCING SYSTEM **Customer No.** 30076

Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Final Office Action of July 27, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-12, 14-27 and 29-30 are pending in the present application. Claims 13 and 28 are withdrawn from consideration.

Claim 14 is objected to due to an informality.

Claims 13 and 28 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite.

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Claims 1-4, 6, 7, 16-19, 21 and 22 have been rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Galvez et al ("Networking, Videoconferenceing and Collaborative Environments", 1998) in view of Nuber et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,703,877).

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims.